

Dan has served as my chief of staff and press secretary for the last 14 years and has been an invaluable manager of my office and adviser on many issues, including on this bill. Dan has been an outstanding leader of my staff and has helped me ensure that balance my responsibilities to the 10th District as well as this subcommittee. He has planned trips and travelled with me around the world—including to China, Iraq, Afghanistan, Sudan and Egypt—to conduct oversight on U.S. national security and human rights policies. This would not have been possible without Dan's hard work, guidance and support over the years.

RECOGNIZING BOB LAPP

HON. JAMES B. RENACCI

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 30, 2014

Mr. RENACCI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Bob Lapp for his nearly 40 years of service to The Timken Company. Since joining the company in 1975, he has served in a number of unique positions, ranging from supervising general accounting to investor relations and public affairs. As the outgoing Vice President for Government Affairs and Community Relations, he leaves behind a legacy of trustworthiness, honesty, and reliability that made him an asset to not only The Timken Company, but to Northeast Ohio. I consider Bob a friend and I am grateful for his counsel throughout my time in office. I know I can always count on Bob to provide me with accurate, relevant information about an issue, putting aside politics and getting to the heart of good policy.

Born and raised in Coshocton, Ohio, Bob is a graduate of two great Ohio schools, earning his bachelor's degree from Miami University and his master's degree from the University of Akron. An active member of our local community, Bob has served on the board of several organizations including the Ohio Manufacturers Association, Stark County Government Leadership Academy, and the Ohio Steel Council. He also has chaired the Ohio Prosperity Project, an organization that educates and informs Ohioans about public policy issues and elections.

Bob's retirement will allow him to spend more time with his family, especially Kaci and his six-month-old granddaughter, Kyli.

I'd like to thank Bob for his years of hard work and wish him nothing but the best in retirement.

RECOGNIZING THE PENDERBROOK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION FOR EARNING THE 2013 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OF THE YEAR AWARD FROM THE WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN CHAPTER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS INSTITUTE

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 30, 2014

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize and congratulate the Penderbrook

Community Association located in Fairfax County, Virginia, for earning the 2013 Community Association of the Year Award (Very Large category) from the Washington Metropolitan Chapter of the Community Associations Institute.

The Penderbrook Community Association (PCA) consists of 1,776 single family homes, townhomes, and condominiums located in the heart of the Fair Oaks area about 20 miles west of Washington, DC, and it is home to over 4,000 residents. The PCA is a Master Association, which unites seven separate land bays with exceptional amenities including a fitness center, swimming pool complex, golf course, tennis courts, basketball courts, clubhouse, boardroom facility, and tot lots. The association amenities serve as a hub for a wide variety of community events that offer something for everyone who calls Penderbrook home.

In addition to the topnotch amenities, PCA emphasizes frequent and robust communications with residents. The PCA employs an interactive website for instant correspondence, a weekly email newsletter to inform residents of local issues, meetings, and events, and an onsite office to manage day-to-day operations and provide immediate assistance to residents. Resident input and involvement is solicited, encouraged, appreciated, and recognized. Open lines of communication also are utilized in an ongoing effort to solicit association volunteers for various committees and projects. Volunteerism leads to true community ownership, fosters friendships, and motivates neighbors to serve the common good.

The PCA prides itself as an association that gives back to the community. The clubhouse hosts the annual Fairfax County Police Foundation Santa's Ride Banquet, biannual blood drives, and serves as a Fairfax County election polling facility. The PCA annually donates use of the facilities to the Special Olympics for event practice, and the Penderbrook Clubhouse is an official collection site for Toys-for-Tots.

Each year the Washington Metropolitan Chapter of the Community Associations Institute honors communities that demonstrate excellence in all facets of association operation and governance, and which best represent common-interest community living. There are four categories: Very Large (1,000+ units), Large (500–999 units), Medium (150–499 units) and Small (1–49 units).

The Penderbrook Community Association was selected based upon a review of the community's governance, board procedures, financial management, committee structure, crime prevention efforts, community communications, and insurance preparedness.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Penderbrook Community Association for earning this honor and in thanking the volunteers and Board Members who devote countless hours toward the ultimate goal of creating an ideal home and serving our entire community.

THE SEEING EYE OF MORRISTOWN 85TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 30, 2014

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, on almost any day of the year, if you were to find yourself in the middle of Morristown, New Jersey, you would be almost certain to see a remarkable partnership being developed. You might notice a well-behaved, bright-eyed young dog wearing a special vest as it navigates, with a trainer, the crosswalks and sidewalks of the bustling Morristown Green. This dog is being trained to join a long line of dogs that have provided a "seeing eye" to thousands of Americans under the tutelage of The Seeing Eye, a remarkable organization that is marking its 85th Anniversary this year.

In 1927, Morris Frank, a young blind man, read an article about dogs being trained as guides for blinded veterans of World War I. Mr. Frank decided to reach out to the author and dog trainer Dorothy Harrison Eustis for help. Ms. Eustis, who was in Switzerland at the time, agreed to help Mr. Frank if he could come to Switzerland.

He made the trip and a year later Mr. Frank returned to New York City with his dog, "Buddy." Buddy and Mr. Frank captured the attention of many reporters as the two proved the ability of a guide dog and his master. This partnership among Ms. Eustis, Mr. Frank, and Buddy would launch an effort that would change the world for people who could not see.

In 1929, Dorothy Harrison Eustis, who trained the first dog, returned to America, and with the help of Morris Frank, E.S. Humphrey, and Willi Ebeling, founded The Seeing Eye, Inc. on January 29, in Nashville, Tennessee. Two years later, The Seeing Eye moved its headquarters to Whippany, New Jersey, and has remained in the area since then.

A few years after settling into their new headquarters, the organization decided to create a way to reach students, graduates, and other interested people in order to share inspirational stories and updates on new developments and programs. In 1935, the Seeing Eye published the first issue of the Guide magazine, which is published quarterly even today.

On December 8, 1941, the day after the attacks on Pearl Harbor, the Board of Trustees passed a resolution, "to supply Seeing Eye dogs, without charge, to eligible members of the armed forces who lose their sight in the line of duty." Since then, these American heroes have been given priority over all other applicants.

The first women's dormitory opened in 1950, allowing women to become students at the Seeing Eye. Within the first year of the new dormitory opening, one third of the students were female.

In 1952, Warner Brothers brought the inspiration story of The Seeing Eye to moviegoers everywhere with the release of the motion picture called, "The Seeing Eye." The Seeing Eye's story would inspire other moviemakers through the years.

In 1966, Walt Disney filmed the movie, "Atta girl, Kelly!" on the Seeing Eye campus. Jim Kutsch, the current president of the organization, watched this film as a young child. Years